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## DON'T BE FOOLED

By the flowing advertisements in regard to the "GREAT REDUCTIONS," (cost and less than cost.) These are only BAITS. But go where goods are sold at the right price. BARGAINS EVERY DAY IN THE YEAR. By purchasing goods in large quantities we buy them so cheap that we can sell you

## OVERCOATS, SUITS, HATS, CAPS, &c.,

at prices less than others with their cuts and reductions. The proof of this is by the "Rush of Trade" we have when the cry is "Awful Dull." Good goods at the right price tells the tale.

## HOLIDAY NOVELTIES.

We never were so well "fixed" to give you a large assortment to select from as now. Constantly receiving the latest things in NECKWEAR, Fancy Imported VELVETS, Plush and Silk SCARFS, largest line of Silk and Linen HANDKERCHIEFS in the city, MUFFLERS, SUSPENDERS, SCARF PINS, CUFF BUTTONS, lined KID GLOVES and MITTENS. These goods were selected with care and will be sold at prices cheaper than you ever saw them.

If you want a STYLISH SUIT made go to J. R. Race & Co.'s.

COME, COME TO  
**J. R. RACE & CO.**  
129 to 135 Water Street.

Dec 12, 1883.

## !! A NEW ENTERPRISE !!

Long experience has anticipated the necessity in Decatur for  
AN EXCLUSIVELY PAINT AND ARTIST'S STORE,  
Stock being selected and the best by Practical Workmen.

We respectfully announce to the TRADE and PUBLIC GENERALLY, that we have  
opened a new and extensive Paint and Artist's Store, at the corner of Water and Main Streets, in a building especially erected for the purpose. We have  
a full line of all kinds of Paints, Oils, Colors, Brushes, Tools, Etc., and all other articles  
of the Artisan and Artist's Trade. We also offer to execute in the interest  
of our countrymen, any kind of Domestic Work.

Our Paint is made from the best materials, and is guaranteed to be equal to  
any in the market.

Our Artists are all first class workmen, and we have no doubt that our friends have reported  
that we do no more work.

We are prepared to supply all kinds of work, and we hope to find a place for all kinds of work.

Aug. 5, 1883.

**MYER & SON.**

## RANDOLPH & GHER.

(Successors to Randolph & Kaufman.)

### ALL PARTIES WISHING TO

## Buy, Sell or Exchange City or Farm Property

will do well by calling on the above, for they have a larger list than ever before to select from, and they will be pleased to show parties wishing to buy or exchange; also if you want your property insured. They represent some of the best insurance companies.

Office at the old place, over Newell & Bros' grocery, Water street,

**RANDOLPH & GHER.**

April 6, 1883.

Decatur, Illinois.

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MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 5, 1884.

P. A. HUBBARD J. R. WOODS,  
HAMPTON & MOSSEY, Proprietors,  
Decatur, Illinois.Notice that the first edition Decatur, Illinois,  
is second class mail matter.

HENRY LASKER, the German statesman, who had been traveling in America for a number of months, died suddenly in New York on Saturday morning.

Four prisoners were burned to death Sunday morning in the jail at Jerseyville, which caught fire and was totally destroyed. The victims were Walter Dunston, charged with murder; James Griggs, Koehler and Shultz, in for larceny.

The legislative caucus at Columbus, O., on Saturday left the Pendleton men claiming a drawn battle, but to outsiders the result seemed to indicate that corseone had done its deadly work, and that Payne, of the Standard Club, could either go to the Senate or name his man.

There were 25 lives sacrificed by the fire Saturday night at Belleville. The Convent of the Immaculate Conception was totally destroyed and 26 girls and women were burned to death. Many were injured. Mother Superior Mary Jerome was a victim. Eleven of the dead have been identified. The building was insured for \$25,000.

Mourning Points.  
This is the way the thermometer acted at the places named on Saturday morning:

Lincoln, Nebraska	22 below
Saint Paul, Dakota	35 °
Duluth, Minnesota	25 °
Kearney, Iowa	32 °
Marshalltown, Iowa	37 °
Dubuque, Iowa	35 °
St. Louis	25 °
St. Joseph, Mo.	27 °
Louisville, Ky.	18 °
Wichita, Kan.	16 °
Mobile, Ala.	20 above
Columbus, S. C.	22 °

Since March 2, when the act to prevent the importation of adulterated and spurious teas went into operation, some 35,000,000 pounds of tea, or about \$600,000 packages have passed under the inspection of James K. Davies, Tea Inspector at New York. Of the above amount, about 350,000 pounds, in 9,000 packages, covering twenty one invoices, have been rejected as unfit for consumption.

Russia has it that the Czar is not suffering from a racing accident at all, but from the wound received from the pistol of a nihilist. Atoms of the literary clubs of this city the subject for discussion last Thursday evening was "Political Assassination." Professor Willard showed at some length that the political aims in almost never accomplished his object. The current of events had often been diverted into a new channel by assassination, but the specific object had in view retarded rather than accelerated. Such being the case, there is really no excuse in my point of view for nihilistic atrocities. Admitting that Russia ought to have a constitutional rather than an absolute monarchy, the method of criticism is none the less reprehensible. *Chicago Tribune.*

The Greatest Lie.  
The cold snap of last week has brought many preparations to the front, but this story about the weather told by a bar in neighboring town captures the imagination. Said he: "One cold winter's night a couple of stockmen were pursuing their hunting home, which was in the neighborhood of Lexington. The weather was terribly cold. The change had taken place rapidly in the afternoon. Cows, pigs, poultry froze dead in their tracks, no thermometer stood exactly at 39°, below zero, and still growing colder, the country was but thinly settled, and few could muster from any human habitation, those in, to prevent freezing to death, dismounted from their horses, and then knelt down the bushes of the snow banks open and crawled in, the warmth of the animals making it quite pleasant for while, but, after all, one of us died, while the other lived, being born and conveyed to the nearest farm house."

The newspaper bulletins announcing the tumble that General Grant took on the icy pavement were surrounded by throngs of people, which was to show the wide spread interest of the population in the distinguished citizen. The injury was really serious, and of a kind that has resulted in death to many men as old as the ex-President. He is about to resume again, with the aid of utters and takes things in his cool manner, where almost any man, with railroad and bank business on hand, would be anxious to get back to the office. The General is making money banking, and, since his losses of a side over a year ago, has given up all street as a bad battlefield in his campaign of finance. One defeat, which would have been a serious one for the well known consideration New York capitalists for him, was that the hero of blander engagements needed to convince him that speculation in margins is not the road of a fort (?) for him to try to follow. It is a wonder his steady ad ever led him into the whirl of specie, but no more so than that he usually very cautious logs lot down on the glary stones in front of his residence, for he is a very careful and slow walker in the streets, where I have been accustomed to see him thread his way to and from his office.

An elegant assortment of gentle fawn powdered night shirts at B. Stine's, 18 Merchant St., 24th & 25th.

Men's Shoes, low prices; J. W. Baker

Men's Slippers Christmas present - J. W. Baker

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The Vegetarian's Stumbling Block.  
From the Saturday Review.

There is one inherent weakness in the creed of vegetarians, and that is that they cannot get on without animal food—namely milk and eggs. Of course the facts stares vegetarians in the face that nature has provided animal food for all young mammals, and that is a very awkward and untoward fact. Vegetarians, however, in the face of it, have thought it wise to include milk as an article of vegetarian diet. But milk can not be got without cows, and as the consumption of milk may be expected to increase, and is said, as a matter of fact, to increase, where little or no other animal food is taken, the number of cows must be expected to increase under a vegetarian regimen. But then there must also be calves, and these calves will grow up and become cows, and even bulls, and cover the whole surface of the globe in time, if they are not killed; but one of the great arguments of vegetarians is the cruelty of killing animals. Nobody, of course, desires that any animal shall be killed with the minimum of cruelty, but it would seem that if the vegetarian yields on the subject of milk he must also yield on the subject of killing animals, and if animals must be killed, it is difficult to see why they should not be eaten, seeing that there is no doubt they make excellent food. Milk, therefore, seems to us to be the vegetarian's stumbling-block, and, until he throws milk overboard, vegetarianism has little in it but a name.

Democratic Measure of General Logue.  
New York Sun.

We chronicle the positive fact that events are bringing to the front as a candidate for the Republican nomination for President the rather picturesque figure of John Alexander Logue. He is very much in earnest, or managers to seem so. He is strong with the soldiers. He has an amazing voice and not too much sense of humor. He is an adept in the broader arts of political manipulation. He has friends, which is also a good thing, and enemies, which is also a point in his favor. He has a very smart wife, and his name rhymes with slogan.

Feminine Precoicity.  
Troy Times.

On a railroad train nearing Troy a few days ago was a five-year-old girl, amusing herself by putting on one of her mother's gloves. When the operation was ended she looked inquiringly about her and singled out a ministerial-looking old gentleman, to whom she threw a kiss with her gloved hand. On leaving the car the gentleman passed the little miss with the remark: "Good by, little sweetheart!" The child indignantly straightened herself and replied in an impudent tone of voice: "Oh, I was only flirting with you!"

How the Editor Answered Him.  
Philadelphia Call.

At a party: Merchant. "Ab! How d'ye do, Mr. Blank? How is your paper coming out?" I read it daily. By the way, are you getting up a report of this grand assembly, I suppose?" Editor. "No. By the way, how is your store coming on? My cook buys a good deal of you. You are here drumming up custom I suppose."

In the Lexington school.  
Report for the month ending Dec. 21, 1883. Whole number enrolled, 32; average daily attendance, 27-30. Perfect in attendance: Jessie Mooney, Lucretia Morgan, Maggie Mooney, Clara Blake, Emma Blake, Ella Lindley, Helen Wright, Eva Morgan, Levi Campbell, Henry McGee, Charles Morgan, Freddie Lee, Edwin Morgan, Melvin Morgan, Wilbur Landay and Johnnie Mooney. Number in Superintendent's examination, 27; highest in "Grammar Department," Lucretia Morgan and Jessie Mooney, average 97-14, highest in "Intermediate Department," Johnnie Mooney, average 85-25, and Emily Shuster, average 95-15; highest in "Primary Department," Jessie Mooney, average 98-14. Grace Klemm, Teacher.

It is impossible when the blood is impure, thick and sluggish, or when it is thin and impoverished. Under such conditions boils, pimples, headaches, neuralgia, rheumatism, and one disease after another is developed. Take Ayer's Sarsaparilla and it will make the blood pure, rich, warm and vivifying.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

100 Russian Creations, Paletoe and  
Dollins.

10 Ladies' light all-wool JACKETS.

30 Union Beaver Ladies' Black Cloaks,

50 pairs of white and colored BLANKETS,

4 dozen Bed Comforts,

50 dozen Ladies', men's and boys' Underwear.

200 dozen all-wool and merino ladies', misses' and children's HOS.

One-Third Off  
1/3 Men's and Children's Cloaks and  
Hats.

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# WE WILL OFFER

During January an unusually fine line of Ladies' and Gents' Gold Watches!

ALSO SPECIAL PRICES IN

## SILVER WATCHES.

We would call your attention to the grade of Goods we keep and the thoroughly RELIABLE MANNER in which we do business. You cannot buy a Watch of us that is "Too Cheap" for good business.

**OTTO E. CURTIS & CO.,**

Leading Jewelers.

Decatur, Jan. 3, 1884. —d&wif

## PIPER'S Photographic Studios!

Opposite the Post Office.

### LATEST STYLES AND DESIGNS.

Season Panels, Holiday Cabinets and Panels, Hand-painted Panels, the Tabor Photo, and the Doublet, now Back Grounds and Accessories, designed and imported expressly for holiday use.

### LARGE PHOTOGRAPHS A SPECIALTY.

PASTEL, CRAYON AND INDIA INK. Scene Settings and avoid the Christmas rush. Don't wait for sunshine. Cloudy days are actually better.

Telephone 182. Visitors Always Welcome.

CHAMPION MONITOR. GARLAND.  
We Greet our Patrons by Wishing Them All

## A Happy New Year!

And in this connection desire to return our thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed upon us during 1883. During the first year in our new location our business has far exceeded our most sanguine expectations, and now with a largely increased stock of Hardware, Mantels, Grates, &c., and the largest and best stock of STOVES in the county, it shall be our aim, through fair dealing and courteous treatment, to merit an increased patronage during 1884.

**Ferguson & Dillehunt,**  
125 North Water St.

ROUND OAK JEWELRY

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Special Offerings for This and Next Week,  
AND THEN COMES

### Our Grand Cheap Sale of Embroideries

40 LADIES' CLOAKS in Doilmans, CIRCULARS, ROMAN CIRCULARS, SURTOOTS, NEWMARKEETS, &c. We propose to make prices that will close them all out. Cost or value makes no difference, the garments will be sold.

WONDERFUL BARGAINS IN BLANKETS, FLANNELS and HOSIERY.

Inspection solicited.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,

143 East Main Street, Powers' Block.

### The Daily Republican.

TERMS.  
Per week, payable to Carrier, 10 Cts.  
One year, in advance, \$8.00  
Six Months, \$5.50  
Three Months, \$3.50

MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 7, 1884

### LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

We have just returned from New York with new prices on Rogers Bros.' 1847 Knives. See us.

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

The schools have "look up" again.

BRAZEN will lecture Thursday night.

The mail got in from the east Sunday morning.

PAIZE shooting gallery, opposite post office.

Wise men kept up fires in their factories over Sunday.

The infant child of M. Ryan was buried from St. Patrick's church Sunday afternoon.

CALF at Tuller Park's near the tabernacle for all sorts of horse feed.

The juniors at the various school houses fired up yesterday morning.

F. D. CALDWELL can furnish you any kind of wood on short notice. 273m

The late Catholic fair at Mountmout, which was managed by Father Duffy, formerly of Delavan, netted between \$3,800 and \$1,000.

SAM LEX, 130 North Water street—machine ironed shirts, 10 cents, collars 3 cents, cuffs 5 cents per pair. dec 21-ly

C. B. PROSTOTT will provide you with leading instruments. Haines Bros. pianos can be had only at Prostott's.

It was only four degrees below zero at 9:30 a. m. on Sunday—very agreeable change in 24 hours. At the same hour Saturday it was 29 below.

CHUNKS always on hand at Geo. Ehrlhart's wood yard. 273m

J. B. BULLARD, the undertaker, has the finest carriages and teams to let for weddings, parties, calls and funerals, to be found in the west. Elegant turnouts every one of them. Lease orders at Bullard's, Telephone 125. dec 29-ly

Dosn't fail to get a sample of No. 4, to be had only at Peter Ulrich's grocery store.

F. D. CALDWELL has the best grades of hard coal.

READING at the opera house by Alfred P. Burbank, Jan. 10th, the first entertainment of the lecture course. Gallery tickets, 35 cents.

OLD soldiers, be sure to go to the opera house Jan. 10th and hear the noted violinist, A. P. Burbank, an old soldier and a member of an Illinois regiment.

HARD and Soft Coal at Martin's wood yard.

At Marion Thursday night Bro. B. F. Foster, of Indiana, will deliver the address at the public installation of the newly elected officers of Marion Lodge of Old Fellow, No. 314.

Fresh oysters, golden butter, and a full line of family groceries at No. 143 South Water street.

"This Girl That I Love" Combination is coming to town. Agent Clayton is here arranging with Manager Hayes for the appearance of the company.

Go to Dr. Thomas S. Hoskin to get your dental work done. Cor. Main and Water streets, Decatur, Ill. 21st

This Universal ladies will give a social and supper at their church on Wednesday evening of this week. Supper will be served from 6 to 9 o'clock. It is expected that all members will be present. The public are invited. 7-33

Order your hard coal from F. D. Caldwell, P. O. Block. 2017-ly

Two eligible bachelors at Macon are: Rome Richmond, John Coombs, Creight Webb, Carl Hoover, George T. Barrett, Oscar Fraze, John T. Cushing, Charley Cazalot, O. D. Barber, Sherman Keller, Wilbur Dankel, James Sturgis, Nana Hill, R. D. Morris, Bert Colby, Frank Webb, Will Patterson, Ed. Hopson, Luther Barstow and Will May. So says the Independent, and Bro. A. G. Wall ought to know.

At J. W. Tyler's you can get extra fine horse and horse blankets almost at your own price.

The dandy cutters are on sale at D. F. Hanes' iron-felice wagon factory on Wood street. All cheap.

CORWOOD, SNOWWOOD and CHUNKS will receive prompt attention by ordering of Geo. Ehrlhart, or Telephone 139. Dec 27, 21m

The janitors commenced warming up each of the six city school houses on Sunday, and to-day all were comfortable for the teachers and pupils.

Mr. A. W. Oliver at Wichita, Kansas, wanted some elegant fressing and fine painting done, and so he came through Kansas City, St. Louis and Springfield, Ill., to Decatur, to find men competent to do the work. He engaged M. A. Myer & Son, who will certainly please the Wichita people as they have often done our citizens. Saturday two of the Myer sons left for Wichita to commence the work. M. A. will follow soon.

Men's, Women's and Children's Arctic Overshoes, at BAKER & BAKER'S.

FABRICIOUS smokers always ask for Schroeder's popular Bohemian cigars. None better for a nickel.

SEX Nudismay on the mound for horse feed. He has a full variety.

Now POSTAL RULE

Formerly photographs, letter-heads, etc., were classed as printed matter and were charged the regular rate for printed matter of one-half cent per ounce. But the postmaster general now interprets the law differently and has decided that such matter should not be classed as printed matter because it is not for general educational and news purposes, but is for personal use and interest, and therefore comes under the head of merchantable mail and must have the regular mailing rate of one cent per ounce paid on such matter. This is just twice the rate formerly charged, and any one having such matter to mail should be careful to pay the full postage, because if it is not paid the article will not be sent and runs a large chance of being lost entirely.

ATEN's Curious Pastoral is recommended by physicians of the greatest eminence on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds and conges, and all pulmonary disorders. It affords prompt relief in every case. No family should ever be without it.

WHEAT, the French Cutter, is recommended by physicians of the greatest eminence on both sides of the Atlantic, as the most reliable remedy for colds and conges, and all pulmonary disorders. It affords prompt relief in every case. No family should ever be without it.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.,

143 East Main Street, Powers' Block.

Jan. 2-d&wif

### THE FIRE DEMON.

Three Threatened Conflagrations on Sunday Quickly Nipped in the Bud.

There was great excitement out on West Main street Sunday afternoon for about 30 minutes, all on account of a \$10 or \$20 search at James' Chapel, the Methodist mission church. A stove in the lecture room at the rear of the pulpit and audience room was made boozing hot, so that the heat might go through the small door and warm up the larger room; but in doing this the stove pipe, which goes through the roof and alongside the weatherboarding at the south end of the church proper, became red-hot in places, and a fire was the result. The fire-bells sounded the alarm and Young America Hook and Ladder Company being the first on the scene, quickly took in the situation and squelched the flames with three buckets of water without the assistance of members of Resene Hose Company who had pulled their hose cart to the building. But for the prompt arrival of the firemen the fire would have got beyond control and the church and adjacent property, owned by James Bristol and Harrison Baker, would have been destroyed. Mr. Baker and Will Harry were leaders in stopping the fire.

AT MERRIWETHER'S.

A short time before the Chapel caught fire a defective flue at the home of Bert Merriwether, at 623 West Main street, set the house on fire, and Bert and the neighbors had a lively time of it for awhile in squelching the flames which were getting under fair roadway. By cutting a hole in the house and soaking the burning spot with water, the threatened danger was averted. Damage, light; scare, big.

AT THE FIRST WARD SCHOOL.

The janitors were ordered by Sup't. Gustman to start fires at all the school houses in the city on Sunday in order that the buildings might be warm and comfortable at the opening of the schools that forenoon at 9 o'clock, after the holiday vacation of two weeks. But the firemen came on the 11th, and rushing out he cried "Fire, fire." W. L. Montgomery, living close by, came to his aid, and by using the ever-ready hose, the two put out the fire, which but for the timely discovery would have been fully damaged the property or totally destroyed it. One of the first floor joints close to the furnace had caught fire. Its exposure to the heat was not known until a close examination was made. The mortar had cracked and fallen away from the brick and timber, and a slight spark was produced, the inevitable result. A dollar will cover the damage.

AT THE WEATHER.

There has been a quick and welcome change in the state of the temperature in this section. Saturday morning at four o'clock it was 30 below zero; at 9 p. m. that day it was 18 below; Sunday morning at 8 it was 14 below; at 10 a. m. five below; at noon 8 above; at 5 p. m. above; at 6 a. m. to-day 11 above—and snow falling.

Snow Bound.

Miss Florence Long, a friend of Mrs. A. H. Imboden, arrived in the city Saturday evening en route for Chicago, where she is a teacher in the public schools of that great city. On account of the snow blockade on the Chicago division of the Wabash Miss Long found, to her great regret, that she would have to linger in Decatur until the snow was cleared away or buy another ticket by way of Tolono over the Central road. She had been spending her vacation in Scott county, and rather than take the risk of being caught in a snowdrift herself, she concluded to let the Chieno school go to the bow-wow; she therefore spent the Sunday with Mrs. Imboden. Last night she took the midnight train for Chicago, the Wabash having been opened into that city late Saturday evening. Miss Long made close connection with her school this forenoon. She may have been tardy.

COL. PHOCION HOWARD has written to Charles Lusk, engaging accommodations for members of Stephenson's Post at the St. Nicholas Hotel during the O. A. R. Department Encampment to be held here Jan. 30 and 31. This Post wants the best parlor in the house in which to make its headquarters.

WILL STEVENSON, who has been at Gainesville, Florida, for several weeks, will return home as soon as the weather permits.

He went South for the benefit of his health, but we regret to state it was not improved. Will has been falling ever since he went to Minnesota several years ago, and fell into the water below the Minnehaha Falls.

COL. LUKENS was to have started for Florida last Thursday over the Central road, but as the train he had arranged to board didn't get here until last night, owing to the snow blockade, of course he had to remain here. Mr. Lukens will leave for the South this evening, as the trains are now moving again at pretty near schedule time.

J. P. BRACKETT, of the Lomas Bridge Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived in the city this morning to see how the mastery work on the Cow Ford bridge progressed.

He concluded to contract to put up a 100 foot iron bridge, to cost a little over \$3,000, and the agreement is that the job shall be finished by Feb. 12, the winter permitting. Mr. Hunt has everything in readiness to finish the piers, and as soon as the weather moderates sufficiently he will finish his contract within 10 days. Mr. Brackett is at present engaged in building a \$30,000 iron bridge near Kenney.

DR. BROWN'S NEW OFFICE.

Dr. J. Brown has taken possession of his elegant new office in Haworth Block. He occupies the two north rooms on the second floor, Water street side, near the steam elevator. Parties can reach the office either by ascending the main stairs, way, south side of building, or by elevator, entrance northwest corner of block.

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MISSIONARY TEA.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society, of the M. E. church, will give a missionary tea at 1:30, Tuesday evening, Jan. 8th, at the residence of Mr. N. E. Adams, 634 North Water street. Members and all interested in the cause are cordially invited to be present.

A DELIGHTFUL AFTERNOON.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hadlock, Saturday evening, a pleasant social gathering was held in honor of their niece, Miss May Weeks. There was a large company of young people present. Refreshments were served and all engaged in popular games. Those in attendance were: Misses Julia Kane, Josie Condon, Katie Powers, Katie Flynn, Mattie Pierce, Nellie Sweeney, Jennie Ballou, Mollie Ballan, Mary Condon, Cora Watson, Miss Daubenpeck, and Messrs. Edward Condon, Billie Jones, John Wallett, Eli Mott, James McEvoy, James Adamson and Mr. Quanlen. The young folks retired highly delighted with the evening's amusement that had been afforded them.

I. O. O. F.

Comrades of U. D. C., No. 26, will meet in fatigues uniform at the hall of Celestial Lodge, this evening, at 7:30 p. m.

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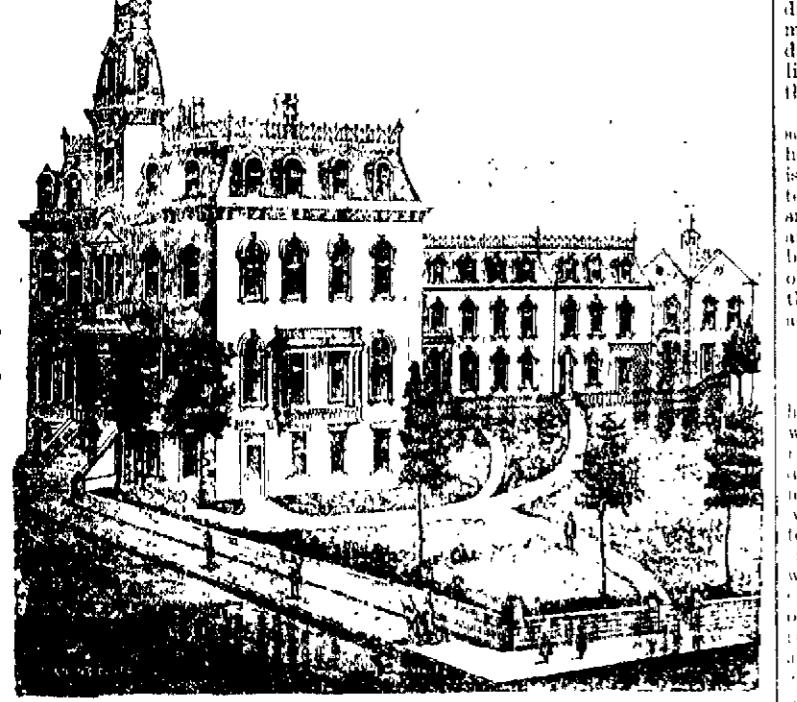
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Having been imperatively called to attend a SICK BROTHER in Missouri, is COMPELLED TO

Postpone Her Decatur Engagements until such time as notice given in this paper shall hereafter specify.

From the great mass of testimony of ability to cure apparently hopeless cases, a few specimens are given below; hundreds more can be seen at the office.

#### A Commendatory Letter.

BROWNSBURG, IND., May 29.  
To the Editor of the Pioneer Press:  
I give this for the benefit of the public. My daughter was sent to Dr. Mrs. Keck last winter, when she was ill. She had been ill for two years, and had lost weight and strength, and was unable to walk. She had a very sensitive and painful discharge of mucus from her nose, and had lost her appetite. She had grown almost entirely closing it. The disease had affected her lungs, making her painful and difficult breathing. She had lost all desire to live, with no benefit. Dr. Mrs. Keck has cured her. My daughter has completely recovered, and is able to run and play like any other child. The worms are removed. I think she will recover perfectly. I send to your testimony, and hope you will give all information I can to interested persons.

#### Honest Disease.

EVANSTON, Ill., Sept. 1, 1881.—Dr. Mrs. Keck—Dear Adams: Let me state, for others' benefit, that I was affected with heart disease, difficult breathing, and a constant discharge of mucus, and in May last, being almost obliged, went west. I began treatment with you. I am now well again, and have no trouble, except my asthma, and may the results far better than I ever anticipated. I gave you full account of my disease, and you told me all about it. Keck's advice, although not very good, may be all the information I can to interested persons.

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### The Daily Republican.

#### RAPID TRANSIT IN NEW YORK.

The Broadway Underground Railroad the Next Candidate for Public Approval.

[Crosby in Pioneer Press.]

Rapid transit in New York still clamors for solution. The elevated road, with all its dredging of equitably taxation, is an untold blessing to the city, so great a convenience to travel, and so striking a benefit to property, that litigation against it has ceased almost quite. But it is insufficient—quite insufficient. For five hours of every day it goes crowded, and does not begin to accommodate those wishing to ride. And these are the very hours that measure the need. As the strength of a chain is only as strong as its weakest link, so the requirements of up-and-down travel in New York is measured by the thousands that stand on platforms between 5 and 7, unable to get on the trains. Moreover, these roads are running to their full capacity. They are no more than four cars to the train, and the trains can go no nearer together. What next? More elevated roads are objected to, because they are really an eyesore, are somewhat dangerous, and use up valuable ground that is needed for the wagon-way.

The next candidate for public approval is the Broadway Underground Railroad company. This has a charter to construct a tunnel road of two tracks from the Battery to the Harlem river, working at Madison square and passing northward via Madison avenue and Broadway. It has given a bond to the city to finish this road as far as the park by January 1, 1887, and the money is promised to complete the big job by that time. But the company is going before the legislature this winter to ask for an extension of its powers—the right, namely, to lay four tracks instead of the middle pair to be for express trains, going at the rate of forty miles an hour, including stoppages. In order to do this the whole of Broadway must be dug out twenty feet deep and arched the width between the buildings, the upper roadway, at the present level, being devoted to its present uses. The company claims that it can daily carry a quarter of a million passengers, or as many as all the public vehicles put together now carry, and this is probably enough.

The chief objection hitherto made to this plan is that it would injure buildings on Broadway, that the jar might shake them down. M. C. Smith, the president, ex-Secretary Windom, Jerome Fassler, of Ohio, and William J. McAlpin, and the Baron Blane, civil engineers, have been to London this summer, examining the underground road there in its bearing on this difficulty. The road passes under all sorts of great buildings, including hotels, churches, and a large hospital, goes under the great thirty-six-ton monument of George IV, within six inches of the masonry, under hundreds of tottering old walls; and yet Mr. McAlpin tells me that it has never cracked a bit of masonry, or had a cent of damage to pay, and that the trains of a road under Broadway will cause less vibration to the buildings than is now made by a passing omnibus. The reports of the engineers will be had before the legislature, with maps illustrating and substantiating them.

A. Darling School Teacher. [Detroit Free Press.] The town of Shenandoah, Pa., which was recently burned, though a place of 12,000 inhabitants, is not down on the school map. At Wilkes-Barre, Pa., a school teacher undertook to remedy this defect by setting her scholars to seek information in the reports of mine inspectors, newspapers and people in town. The facts collected by each scholar were then read aloud to all. Of course it is hard to believe, but it is asserted on good authority that the children took more interest and showed more enthusiasm in this work than they did even in respecting the alphabetical list of the rivers in Hindooostan and of the mountains of South America.

Of course, too, there is danger of the school teacher's dismissal for wasting her own pupils' time, but that is one of the risks of the business. If teachers undertake on their own responsibility to excite the minds of the scholars, to loosen their grip on the textbooks, to set them to investigating and observing and thinking for themselves, they must also take the risk of running against routine and red tape.

W. T. Wilson's Advice. [Exchange.]

If P. W. Wilson, the pedestrian, is in the habit, by his own account, of giving whole-some advice to the British aristocracy about their diet, he occasionally comes at the tables of the great, and makes comment on the viands somewhat in this style: A lady who sat next to him, and to whom he was a perfect stranger, expressed a desire for beefsteak, "Excuse me, miss, but you'll get no nourishment out of that cut of meat and shavings." Mr. Weston is not without hopes that he will eventually reform the dinners of the poor, and persuade "our old nobility" that salted meat and a walk of 500 miles in 100 days, make the summit of human bliss.

Nelson's. [Globe.] Nelson has made much money, but his marriage was not fortunate in a worldly point of view. His bride was a speculator, who took her money and lost it, and went insane. What remained of her relatives endeavored to save her. She also lost money in American investments. She is making money, and it is to be hoped that she is more than independent. A little of the peasant adheres to her. While singing in New York this winter she has once or twice relented talk or noise on the stage, and shown that the audience north of Europe has nothing to do with her.

Mary Anderson's Fase. [Globe.] Olive Logan writes from London that the talk of 5 o'clock tea is Mary Anderson's stately pose. Gossip has it that she frequents the British museum and learns of the sculptured Hobo and of Helen the secret of their charm; of the Nereids, the swan-like grace of the movements of sea goddesses; of the various Venusies, the lost art of their wondrous fascinations.

Boys' flannel waist at Stod's. [Globe.] Fun is excellent; a healthy laugh is known the whole world over to be a health promoter; but fun does not fill the bill when a man needs physic, on the other hand people take too much physic. They would be more healthy, live longer and enjoy life thoroughly if they used Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic, which cures all blood disorders, indigestion, kidney and liver troubles, removes pimples and is a perfect tonic. It took my wife to several clinics of eminence for examinations and operations. They agreed with Dr. A. J. Stover, physician and druggist, that there is very little hope, while others said there was none for recovery. So Mrs. Watson, who had been ill for five months, and in many ways, was restored to her original strength and tone, and still continues to improve, and with double fun. I took my wife to several clinics of eminence for examinations and operations. They agreed with Dr. A. J. Stover, physician and druggist, that there is very little hope, while others said there was none for recovery. So Mrs. Watson, who had been ill for five months, and in many ways, was restored to her original strength and tone, and still continues to improve, and with double fun.

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Fine Slippers: Christmas present—J. W. Baker. [Globe.] BODWYN'S Beer on draft at Rieben's Globe Saloon, on East Main st. Dec. 22d w/c.

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Mr. Bowles and His Newspaper. [Letter to Troy Times.]

I saw in Boston young Sam Bowles. You remember his father was the great editor of the Springfield Republican. When he died, the son succeeded. Well, every one said he would fail. He is a delicate, animal-looking young man, but has a great spirit in him. Young Sam became manager and the paper has done well. He gave to each of his staff more shares of stock to hold as long as he remained. In this way they have greater interest and a share of the profits. It's a sort of co-operation. The Republican is training-shod for journals. I have in mind now of its graduates C. Miller, editor of The New York Times; C. R. Evans, of the Chicago Tribune, and Dr. Bartlett, secretary here of the Chinese legation. By the way, I must remark that Mr. Bowles is soon to marry Miss Ruth Hopper, daughter of Grant's attorney general, and need to be married. She is capable, intelligent and possessed of a wonderful voice which has never failed admirers. She is a daughter of one of Miss Louisa Alcott's "Little Women." The Hoppers and Alcotts are neighbors at Concord. Just how The Republican will act towards Senator Hopper now I do not know. It has never been partial to him politically.

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